

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by: (AGE)

## AN ACT CONCERNING PRESCRIPTION EYE DROP REFILLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2010) (a) As used in this
- 2 section, "health insurance policy" means any individual health
- 3 insurance policy or benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery,
- 4 renewed, amended or continued in this state by an insurer, health care
- 5 center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation,
- 6 fraternal benefit society or governmental entity that provides medical
- 7 benefits to Medicaid, HUSKY Plan, Charter Oak Plan, ConnPACE or
- 8 state-administered assistance recipients.
- 9 (b) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of
- 10 the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section
- 11 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended,
- 12 renewed or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2010, that
- provides coverage for prescription eye drops, shall not deny coverage
- 14 for a renewal of prescription eye drops (1) when the renewal is
- 15 requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of (A) the
- date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or (B) the

date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed to the insured, and (2) when the prescribing physician indicates on the original prescription that additional quantities are needed and the renewal requested by the insured does not exceed the number of additional quantities needed.

Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2010) (a) As used in this section, "health insurance policy" means any individual health insurance policy or benefit plan that is delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state by an insurer, health care center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal benefit society or governmental entity that provides medical benefits to Medicaid, HUSKY Plan, Charter Oak Plan, ConnPACE or state-administered assistance recipients.

(b) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2010, that provides coverage for prescription eye drops, shall not deny coverage for a renewal of prescription eye drops (1) when the renewal is requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of (A) the date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or (B) the date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed to the insured, and (2) when the prescribing physician indicates on the original prescription that additional quantities are needed and the renewal requested by the insured does not exceed the number of additional quantities needed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2010	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2010	New section

AGE Joint Favorable C/R

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